

GREAT FLEET
STEAMS AWAY
ON LONG TRIP

Led by President Roosevelt
As Commander-in-Chief
of the Navy, the Line of
Ships Passed Out to the
Sea To-day.

BIG DEMONSTRATION
ON AND OFF SHORE

Farewell Messages Delivered
To Four Rear-admirals and
16 Captains by the Presi-
dent, While Wives and
Sweethearts Wave Adieu.

Fort Monroe, Va., Dec. 16.—Admiral R. D. Evans, in charge of \$100,000,000 of the United States fleet, was escorted by the line of ships, which passed out to sea to-day. The fleet, which is the largest in the history of the world, was escorted by the line of ships, which passed out to sea to-day. The fleet, which is the largest in the history of the world, was escorted by the line of ships, which passed out to sea to-day.

The cruiser yacht Mayflower, bearing President Roosevelt, was escorted by the line of ships, which passed out to sea to-day. The fleet, which is the largest in the history of the world, was escorted by the line of ships, which passed out to sea to-day.

The Mayflower anchored in the very center of the fleet and a brief reception on board followed. The president had a farewell message for the four rear-admirals and sixteen captains. The conclusion he should each one cordially by the hand. Then for a journey of nearly ten miles, President Roosevelt, as commander-in-chief of the navy, led the long line of battleships out into Chesapeake bay.

As each ship passed, the men lined the rails and the bands played and as the stern came opposite the yacht's bow, they sounded the farewell salute of 21 guns. At 11:15 a wireless message said that the fleet was sailing out to sea.

Types of Ships in Fleet.
Five distinct classes of battleships are represented in the fleet, popularly known as the Kentucky, the Alabama, the Maine, the Georgia and the Connecticut classes. The newer types come first in the line.

The Connecticut type, of which there are 16,000 tons displacement, with a speed of 18 knots, each carrying 2,000 tons of coal and having an armor belt of 11 to 14 inches, the armor on the main turrets being 12 inches thick. For their armament they carry four 12-inch, eight 8-inch, 12 7-inch, 20 3-inch and 30 smaller guns. The complement of men is 800.

The Georgia class is of 15,000 tons displacement, with a speed of 19 knots. The coal capacity is 1,700 tons, and the armament nearly the same as that of the Connecticut class, except that 6-inch guns are used in place of the 7-inch on the Connecticut, and four of the 8-inch guns are in turrets superposed on the 12-inch gun turrets, while there are but 12 3-inch guns.

The Maine class is of 12,500 tons, with a speed of 17 knots, and a coal capacity of 2,000 tons. The armament comprises four 12-inch, 16 6-inch, six 3-inch and 33 smaller guns.

Bringing up the rear of the battleships will be the Kentucky and Kearsarge. These two carry the only 13-inch guns in the fleet, a type which was discontinued several years ago, but which may be renewed in the Delaware type, which is now being built and which is planned to surpass the great Dreadnought of the British navy.

The Kentucky class is of 15,000 tons, with a speed of 16.5 knots and a coal capacity of 1,500 tons. These ships have, in addition to four 13-inch guns, four 8-inch in superposed turrets, 14 5-inch and 33 smaller ones.

EUROPE LOOKS ON
WITH MUCH INTEREST

Universally Conceded That the Fleet Is
the Most Powerful Ever Assembled
Under One Commander.

London, Dec. 16.—Europe's attention centers to-day in the departure of the United States fleet for the Pacific. English and continental papers print columns of detailed description, and it is generally acknowledged that never before has so powerful a fleet been assembled under a single commander. Nobody in Europe believes that the cruise is un-

A CATHOLIC
CENSUS TAKEN

There are 75,953 in the Ver-
mont Diocese

BURLINGTON, THE FIRST

Barre Parish Numbers 3,841, With the
Church Property Valued at \$30,000.
—Montpelier Has a Census of
2,172.

Burlington, Dec. 16.—The census of the Catholic churches in the diocese of Vermont, taken by the priests in the diocese, has been completed, and the figures show there are 75,953 Catholics in the state, with church valued at \$1,000,000, upon which there is a debt of \$942,000. In addition to the property included in the above, there are parochial residences to the value of \$323,000.

The largest parish is St. Joseph's, in this city, with a population of 5,315, with church property valued at \$100,000, and free from debt. The Barre church has a population of 3,841, of which 2,097 are males and 1,744 females. The value of the church property in Barre is estimated at \$30,000, with a debt of \$12,000. The denomination at Montpelier has a population of 2,172, with property valued at \$80,000, carrying a debt of \$30,000.

There are 112 parishes in the diocese, which are cared for by 122 of which 2,097 are males and 1,744 females. There are a little over 8,000 pupils in the Sunday schools.

BEGIN INVESTIGATION
OF GOLDFIELD, NEV.

President's Special Commission Will
Call All Leading Operators and
Members of Union, Besides
Prominent Citizens.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 16.—Special Commissioner Neil, Murray and Smith, who are chosen by the President to investigate strike conditions in the Goldfield mining district began an inquiry today. The operators of large mines, the superintendents and officials and the leading members of the Miners' Union will be important witnesses. Summons have also been sent to many leading citizens.

MOHICAN LAUNCHED.

New Steamer For Lake George Put in
Water Saturday.
Tonawanda, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The steamer Mohican, the latest addition to the fleet of the Lake George Steamboat company, was successfully launched on the waters of Lake George at the company's shipyard at Heart Bay, Baldwin, in this town Saturday. The boat was christened by Miss Louise Loree, daughter of President L. E. Loree of the steamboat company of the Delaware & Hudson. The Mohican is a 100-foot steamer, with a hull of steel, and is the latest and largest of the company's fleet.

In breaking the bottle of wine at the christening of the Mohican, Miss Loree used a mallet made at Shelburne harbor, Lake Champlain, from oak taken from the famous old elm. The mallet was decorated with streamers of red, white and blue and similarly the nation's colors adorned the champagne bottle. Miss Loree was presented with a huge bouquet of red, pink and white roses by the company and with a handsome gold brooch set with pearls and sapphires by President Fletcher of the engine company.

CLAIM AUDETTE
HAS FIVE WIVES

His Marital Record Is Being Investigated
By State's Attorney Buch of
Windsor County.

Clarendon, N. H., Dec. 16.—Merrill E. Audette, a farmer of Weatherfield, Vt., has the charge of bigamy staring him in the face. E. R. Buck, state attorney of Windsor, Vt., is close on his trail gathering evidence against him, and it is believed that he has five wives living.

Attorney Buch, who was in Clarendon Saturday, is looking up Audette's record and finds that he was married in this town April 22, 1905, to Kate M. Ward, and the record says his first marriage caused Audette's arrest last July on the charge of bigamy, and he was bound over under \$500. One of his mothers-in-law went bonds for him and he disappeared, and it is supposed that he enlisted. He returned to Springfield, Vt., and was arrested a short time ago on some charge, and was sent to the Woodstock jail. He supposed that being a soldier protected him from arrest, but he soon learned differently.

It is believed that he was married in Fitchburg, Mass., and then again to Cora Lawrence of Weatherfield, Vt., to the Ward girl in Clarendon, and two others between the last two.

Audette is known in Clarendon, having been a frequent visitor to town from Weatherfield, Vt., but nothing of his record is known.

Negro Killed White Man.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 16.—J. H. Knight, a white teamster, employed at a lumber mill in Shelby county, thirty miles from here, was killed yesterday by a negro named Patterson. It is said that Knight applied at Patterson's home for something to eat. The negro came to the door. A woman of African descent, in search of the negro, and if he is found, it is feared a lynching may follow.

ESTIMATE OF DEAD,
BOTH DEER AND MEN

Over 600 Animals Were Killed in South-
ern New Hampshire in Two Weeks.
—One Man Died of Heart
Disease.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 16.—Six hundred deer killed, according to the press report, one man dead and three injured, and the prospect of a return to the state of New Hampshire of \$5,700 in licenses, in the record of the two weeks' open season on deer in the seven southern counties of the state, which were this year for the first time within a generation, thrown open to the hunters of his game, with the one restriction that deer should only be killed with shotguns and buckshot, the season closing Saturday night.

The one death was not due to the use of firearms, however, but was caused by over-exertion in the chase, the body of George Whitney of Canterbury being found beside the carcass of a deer he had killed at Northfield, and the cause of death being given as heart failure. H. H. Whittier, 17, of Raymond, had two toes shot off, David Bailey of Sutton had his wrist mangled and will probably lose two fingers as the result of the accident. A discharge of his gun, and a man in Wilton dislocated his shoulder by being kicked from a tree by his gun when shooting a deer.

DIED AT HIS POST.

Burlington Shoemaker Victim of Heart
Disease.

Burlington, Dec. 16.—Philip Giroux of 183 North street died of heart disease on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock while sitting at his bench at R. G. Stone's shoe store on Church street, where he was employed as a shoemaker. He had been in good health during the day and died almost instantly while one of the store clerks was talking to him. Physicians were summoned, but Mr. Giroux was dead before they arrived.

Mr. Giroux was 62 years of age and was born in Three Rivers, Que. He had resided in this city for 45 years, where he was employed in the shoe business. He died, for 35 years. He was first employed by H. A. Mooney, who began business there, and then by F. G. Fletcher, Fletcher & Boynton, Frank B. Boynton and R. G. Stone in succession. He was one of the founders of the local St. John Baptiste society and was a respected and honored citizen.

He is survived by a wife and a son and daughter, George P. Giroux of this city and Mrs. K. L. Matheson of Chicago.

HIS RIGHT TO HOLD
OFFICE QUESTIONED

Alderman W. L. Davis of Rutland Was
Elected From Ward 3 But Is Now
in Fourth Ward of That City.

Rutland, Dec. 16.—According to some of the best lawyers here all the business done by the Rutland city council at present, in which Alderman Winthrop L. Davis has a part, is illegal on the ground that the city has no alderman from ward 4, and two members from ward 3. When Mr. Davis was elected to the board he lived on West street, ward 4, but a few months ago he was married and with his wife is now keeping house on Boyce street, ward 3. It is understood that Mayor R. L. Richmond has asked Mr. Davis to resign because of the lack of the matter as occurred, but no formal complaint has been entered and Mr. Davis, maintaining that he keeps a room and so still has his residence in ward 4, retains his seat in the city council.

WILL CASE STILL ON.

Causes Addition County Court to Have
a Long Session.

Middlebury, Dec. 16.—Only one session of county court as held Saturday at Middlebury, and the session was held the boards all day. All of the testimony submitted was documentary, there being no oral witnesses called. The most important testimony offered was found in the deposition of Mrs. Jennie Adams, wife of James W. Adams of Lawrence, Mass., one of the contestants, and in a transcript of the testimony given by James W. Adams himself at the first trial here in June, 1906.

The chances are that the case will go on through Wednesday and very likely Thursday. At any rate some of the most important witnesses are to be heard today and Tuesday.

In addition to that there are among the 19 guests of Jailer Cobb some 14 or 15 who are to be tried. As matters look now it seems certain that the term will last long and beyond New Year's, even if most of the parties included should plead guilty.

ABRAHAM HUMMEL SICK.

Feared He May Die Before His Sentence
in Prison Expires.

New York, Dec. 16.—Abraham Hummel, the lawyer who is serving a year's sentence in Blackwell's island penitentiary for conspiracy in connection with the Dodge-Morse divorce case, is near death from kidney affection. He collapsed Saturday after exercising in the prison yard. Dr. Matz, the resident physician, said yesterday that Hummel's condition was such that he was likely to die at any moment. Hummel's sentence on Blackwell's island will expire within a few weeks.

ONE SURVIVOR DEAD.

George Allen of The Thomas W. Lawson
Died Yesterday.

High Town, Scilly Islands, England, Dec. 16.—George Allen of Bradford, Eng., one of the survivors of the Thomas W. Lawson wreck, died yesterday. The other two survivors were Capt. Dow and Engineer Rowe. They had a terrible time before being rescued from the rocks where they were thrown by the sea.

Among arrivals at the City hotel to-day are J. W. Mayo, Howard, Pa.; W. A. Gage, Burlington; John W. Lindsay, Burlington; E. W. Wright, Montpelier; R. D. Sowden, Boston; D. L. Wilkins, Utica, N. Y.

FAST PACER
DIED TO-DAY

Angus Pointer One of Kings
of Race Track

WAS WORTH OVER \$15,000

George E. Whitney Lost Valuable Animal at Sunderland Stables in Lebanon, N. H.—Bought Horse Two Years Ago.

Will S. Page received notification today that Angus Pointer, the famous pacer, record 2:01 3/4, died this morning at six o'clock in Ed. Sunderland's stable at Lebanon, N. H. Mr. Page was in Lebanon yesterday to assist in the care of the racer, but the animal's condition was so much improved that he returned home last night. It was first noticed that the horse was sick on Friday, plural pneumonia being the ailment. Dr. Stevens, a White River Junction veterinarian, was called to attend.

Angus Pointer was the property of George W. Whitney of Burlington and Lebanon, being bought by him two years ago at the Madison Square Garden sale in New York City. Senator Whitney refused \$15,000 for him only last summer during the height of a successful season on the grand circuit. An insurance of \$7,000 was carried on the horse.

Pointer was nearly nine years old. He was first brought out by the Canadian trainer, McPherson, as a four-year-old over half-mile tracks. At five years old he was on the grand circuit. Perhaps his greatest year on the track was the one just closed. He was defeated only once during the entire season, that time by Geers' Baron Grattan on the grand circuit at Cleveland. Eight other grand circuit races went to Pointer. As a side issue, this wonderful pacer went two exhibition miles on half-mile circuits, once on July 4 and again on July 11. The first time he did it in 2:07 3/4, and the second time in 2:06 flat, both times unpaired. There is no doubt that he was the champion racing pacer this year.

His record of 2:01 3/4 was made this year at the Readville track, at Memphis, Tenn., in 1904. Pointer took a world's record, to a wagon, making a mile in 2:04 1/2, this being in a race rather than an exhibition.

With Montpelier's closed Sunday, State's Attorney Gates to-day expressed great satisfaction; and it is universally conceded that the capital city never saw such a time in its life. There was nothing doing except for the restaurants, the newsstands and the drug stores at intervals. Squirrels opened his news-stand and kept it open practically all day, but to the calls for tobacco (he deals in it) he turned a deaf ear. The restaurants were open and they didn't hesitate selling a cigar if anyone asked for it. The drug stores kept those hours, 9 to 10 a. m. 12 to 1 p. m.; 6 to 7 p. m. All the other places were closed tight.

One man was seen on the street in Barre yesterday who was looking for a chance to buy a plug of tobacco.

BANKRUPTCY DOINGS.

Trustee Appointed For C. F. Church Es-
tate of North Field.

The creditors of C. F. Church of Northfield a bankrupt, held their first meeting Saturday before Referee W. N. Thierstein in bankruptcy court. C. D. Edgerton of Northfield appeared for Mr. Church and C. S. Stanton for the creditors. Mr. Church has been proprietor for some time of the Ellis boarding house in Northfield. H. C. Moseley was appointed trustee. A meeting of the creditors of C. W. Selians, which was scheduled to have been held Saturday morning was continued until tomorrow morning.

USED CHAIR ON FATHER.

Warren Man Is Said to Have Been None
Too Gentle.

State's Attorney Gates was called to Warren to-day to investigate a family quarrel, in which Vera Stone is alleged to have inflicted many and serious injuries to his father, Charles Stone. The two men live near each other, and there is said to have been a family gathering at the home of the elder man last night, in which liquor was dispensed. A quarrel started up, and Vera is accused of hitting his father over the head with a chair.

IS MAKING COLLECTIONS.

E. Fernandez Is Said to Be in the West
on Business.

E. Fernandez, a granite manufacturer against whom a petition in bankruptcy was filed last week by twelve creditors, his workmen, is said to be in the West making collections and that he does not know of the proceedings taken against him. The attorney for the creditors, A. J. Sargent, has notified the various customers that Fernandez' business must be done through the receiver, H. J. Slayton.

RETURNED AS BRIDE.

Miss Alice M. Guernsey of Montpelier
Married in Concord, N. H.

Going away from Montpelier as Miss Alice M. Guernsey, she came back Saturday as Mrs. Herbert Sawyer. Her marriage took place at Concord, N. H., the bridegroom being a Sanapee man. Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer are now visiting at the home of Mrs. Alpha Guernsey of Montpelier, where the bride had made her home since ten years old.

DANIEL H. McLEOD.

Barre Granite Manufacturer Died in Den-
ver, Col., Saturday.

Daniel Hugh McLeod, who went to Denver, Colorado, two years ago, for his health, died there Saturday at 11:45 a. m., according to a dispatch received in this city yesterday. The remains, accompanied by his wife and son, Harry, will leave tonight for Barre, arriving the last of the week, at which time announcement of the funeral will be made. If burial is made here, it will probably be in the Bradford family lot in Elmwood cemetery.

Mr. McLeod was born in Lincolnton, P. Q., 32 years ago. He learned the granite cutter's trade in St. Johnsbury, after which he went to Montpelier, where he resided for a time. Coming to Barre, he soon entered business under the firm name of McLeod & Rixton. Later he became associated in the same industry under the name of Ransie & McLeod. Owing to ill health, he retired from business and went to Colorado two years ago last October. He did not there gain the degree of health he hoped for and declined steadily. For the past two months he had been confined to his bed by tuberculosis.

The dispatch announcing his death reached here at 9:30 yesterday. His brother-in-law, Alex. Morrison, of the Marvin farm, went to Montpelier to send word on to the relatives in Lincolnton, and while there received a message from Miss Mary McLeod, a sister, stating that she had left Lowell, Mass., on a journey to Denver to visit Dan, and for Mr. Morrison to meet her at Montpelier Junction. She had not heard of her brother's death. Accordingly, she was met at the Junction and told the sad news. She stated that she intended to go right through to Denver, but finally decided to stop over here. Had it not been for the change in plans, she would have passed the body of her brother on her way West.

Besides this sister, there is another, Annie, of Lincolnton, a third, Mrs. Norman McLeod of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, a fourth, Mrs. Alexander Morrison, and his mother, Mrs. Hugh McLeod, both of whom reside at the Marvin farm between this city and Montpelier; also a brother, Murdo McLeod of Lincolnton, P. Q. Sixteen years ago last January, Mr. McLeod married Lilla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bradford of this city, and she was with him at the time of his death, together with their son. The deceased was a member of Granite lodge of the Masons of this city.

BURIAL IN MONTEPIER.

Mrs. Henrietta S. Wright, Who Died in
This City Last Friday.

The funeral of Mrs. Henrietta S. Wright, who died Friday morning, was held from the home of her son, Ira Wright, on Pearl street, yesterday afternoon at two o'clock. The Rev. E. O. Thayer officiated, and the interment was in Green Mount cemetery at Montpelier. The bearers were William Mackie, John Paul, W. A. Ross and Alexander Ross. Among the floral tributes were the following: Flowers from the family, with word "Mother"; carnations and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kelly; carnations and roses, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams; roses and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Perry; narcissus and ferns, Mrs. Arthur Buzzell; carnations and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Beach; carnations and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Patch; carnations and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. James Truby; carnations and roses, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson.

WAS AT "BLOODY ANGLE."

Lucien White, Veteran of Civil War, Died
at Middlesex.

Lucien White, a veteran of the Civil War, died yesterday afternoon at his home in Middlesex, having never fully recovered from a malarial trouble contracted during the war, although heart trouble was the immediate cause of his death. He was born in Middlesex, 69 years ago, the son of Stanford and Hannah White. He entered the army in 1861 and was engaged in the construction of the Montpelier & Wells River line. Later he went West. In 1871 he was married, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. J. Edward Wright who will officiate at the funeral. He leaves a widow and one son, William C. White.

Mr. White was a member of the family of Company B, 15th Vermont regiment, noted for its stand at the "bloody angle" at the battle of Gettysburg. On returning to Middlesex, he took up the occupation of a farmer, which he followed up to the time of his death.

INJURED BY TREE FALL.

Charles Cady Was Hurt in Woodbury
Woods Saturday.

Henry Wheeler of South Barre was called to Woodbury yesterday by a serious accident which befell his son-in-law, Charles Cady, while working in the woods Saturday. Mr. Cady was cutting down a tree which fell on him and broke one leg.

Surprise Party Given.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lillis of 6 Elmore street, were given a surprise by about forty of their friends Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lillis made them welcome and a very enjoyable evening was passed with games, singing and dancing. Refreshments were served during the evening George Angus, on behalf of the company, presented Mr. and Mrs. Lillis two handsome clock rockers.

CHELSEA.

and boarding at George M. Medcalf's on the Vershire road.

Bertie Morey of Post Mills is attending the winter term of Chelsea academy. Mrs. Charles M. Goodrich and son, Leonard, were guests at Charles A. Denmore's last week.

Allen E. Dickinson returned Saturday from a week's stay in North Randolph, where he was the guest of his son, William A. Dickinson.

Leon C. Ordway, who is taking a commercial course at the Albany business college came last week to spend a three weeks' vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Ordway.

Charles Chamberlain of Post Mills, who has driven the "brush line" stage from this place to Post Mills for several months has completed his services and his place is taken by Henry Robinson of Post Mills.

PROMPT WORK
BY THE POLICE

Rounded up Two Men Wanted
in White River Junction

WERE TAKEN BACK TODAY

They Are Charged With Robbing the
Stranger Who Applied to Them
for Lodging on Tuesday
Night.

William Fraine and "Reddie" Hasenow, two men wanted in White River Junction for the alleged larceny of a pocket book supposed to have contained \$40, were arrested in this city at eleven o'clock Saturday night at the Cruikshank boarding house on Granite street, where Chief Faulkner and Officer Hamel found them in bed. Deputy Sheriff R. F. Hoar of White River Junction arrived this morning and identified the two men at the police station as the ones wanted, and they returned with the sheriff to White River Junction on the noon train.

The robbery was committed last Tuesday night at "Reddie's" house about a half-mile outside of the village. The victim of the robbery was Henry Thornton, a woodsman, who had strayed into the town and was spending the night at "Reddie's" house. According to Thornton's story to Sheriff Hoar, there was a pretty rough time at the house that night, and in the morning Thornton mislaid his money and also a suit case in which were his extra clothes. "Reddie" and Fraine slipped town before the officers could get hold of them. On top of the loss of all of his money, Thornton was arrested for being intoxicated and was sent to jail for ten days, as he could not pay his fine.

Saturday Deputy Sheriff Hoar heard that the two men had been seen in Barre and that evening he called up the police station here and gave to Officer Hamel, who answered the call, a description of the men. From the description, Officer Hamel recognized the two men he had seen hanging around the streets Friday, and he soon had the two located in the Cruikshank boarding house. He and Chief Faulkner then went to the house and had the men locked up in the police station in less than two hours after Sheriff Hoar had called up. The officers discovered a suit case in the men's room and, hunting around, they found an empty pocketbook under the mattress of the bed. The officers also learned that the men had sold a pair of pants to another boarder in the house for 75 cents. Officer Hamel secured the pants from the boarder this morning and turned them over to the sheriff.

The sheriff stated this morning that the house in which "Reddie" was living had been a dive for "holes" for some time, and that in the last few months he had taken nine men out of the place, who are now serving out their sentences in the county jail at Woodstock. Thornton told the sheriff that he had eighty dollars when he struck White River Junction, but thought that there was about forty dollars left when he was robbed.

DIDN'T PAY UP OR APPEAL.

So Respondent Was Sent Down to
County Jail This Morning.

Falling to enter in county court his appeal case for a second offense of intoxication, of which he was convicted in the town of Barre last July, John C. Brennan was arrested Saturday night by Officer Hamel on a mittimus issued by Judge Scott before whom, as justice of the peace, the case had been heard. Brennan was unable to pay the fine, which amounted to about \$25, and he was taken to the county jail this morning for 75 days. After being convicted of a subsequent offense, Brennan took an appeal to the county court and when Judge Scott found that he did not enter his case at the recent term of court he issued a mittimus for his arrest.

CAUGHT TROUT TO-DAY.

Joe Sanguinetti Doesn't Know If He Vi-
olated Law, But He Started Water
For His Hotel.

Whether or not Joseph R. Sanguinetti has broken the statutes and committed an offense heinous in the eyes of the fish and game laws of the state of Vermont is a debatable question, which neither Joe nor his friends have been able to decide as yet. The circumstances of the offense, if such it was, were entirely peculiar and if it should prove to be a feature of the law's mandates, the circumstances are mitigating, at least.

The circumstances were unique and the question was as to whether or not the guests at the Northern hotel were to wash in cold water. J. R. received a complaint this morning that the guests, and incidentally the other occupants of the hotel, were unable to draw any hot water from the faucets, exclusive of the hot water urn in the bar, and the proprietor upon investigating discovered that a seven-inch brook trout had become lodged in the supply water pipe which runs to the boiler and the water shut off. Mr. Sanguinetti removed the trout, and thus arises the question of the alleged fracture of the law.

FIRE ALARM BOX SMASHED.

Number 42 at Corner of South Main and
Circle Streets Disabled.

The fire alarm box, numbered 42, at the corner of South Main and Circle streets is out of commission through the carelessness or maliciousness of someone. Both doors of the box are broken and the interior damaged, looking as if the work had been done by a heavy blow. The superintendent of the system, P. M. Carr, announces that if anyone in that vicinity has occasion to ring in an alarm, the telephone at the residence of F. H. Carleton, just across Main street, is kindly offered for use. This arrangement will continue until the box can be repaired.